

## **I CLAIMS**

1-40 (Canceled).

41. (Previously presented) A coupon generation and distribution system comprising:

(a) a plurality of member computers interconnected to a computer network, each of said member computers associated with at least one of a plurality of members of the system; and

(b) a centrally located coupon server computer, interconnected to the computer network for selective communication with the plurality of member computers, the coupon server computer comprising:

(i) a repository of coupon offers available for generation into coupons for dissemination to a plurality of users, each of said coupon offers supplied to the coupon server computer by a coupon offering entity and providing an incentive to purchase an item;

(ii) means for storing a plurality of user profile data records, each of said user profile data records comprising user profile data comprising:

an identification of a user, and  
at least one geographic location associated with the user;

(iii) means for analyzing a user profile data record with respect to a plurality of coupon offers in the repository and for analyzing a coupon offer with respect to a plurality of user profile data records, and for generating one or more coupons based on said analysis, wherein said coupon is limited to use by the user identified in the user profile data record for items at the geographic location associated with the user; and

(iv) means for distributing said generated coupon to the user for subsequent redemption by the user when purchasing the item associated with the coupon from the coupon offering entity at the geographic location associated with the user; whereby the coupon offering entity is provided with the identification of the user redeeming the coupon.

42. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile data is obtained from at least one member computer.
43. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the computer network is the Internet.
44. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the computer network is a wireless network.
45. (Canceled).
46. (Canceled).
47. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein a member computer is an Internet-enabled computing device.
48. (Canceled).
49. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the means for distributing said generated coupon comprises means for transmitting said coupon to the user.
50. (Previously presented) The system of claim 49 wherein the means for transmitting said coupon to the user comprises means for electronically transmitting said coupon to a member computer.
51. (Previously presented) The system of claim 50 wherein the means for electronically transmitting said coupon to a member computer comprises means for sending an email message to a member computer, said email message comprising

said coupon in a format suitable for printing at a printer associated with the member computer.

52. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the means for distributing said generated coupon comprises means for transmitting said coupon to a member computer associated with a merchant that will honor the generated coupon.

53. (Previously presented) The system of claim 52 wherein the user specified by the coupon is provided with the incentive specified by the coupon during a transaction with the merchant.

54. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the means for distributing the generated coupon comprises means for printing the coupon and sending said printed coupon to the user.

55. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile data further comprises demographic information relating to the user.

56. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile data further comprises coupon requests provided by a user to the coupon server computer, and wherein the coupon requests are transmitted by the coupon server computer to a coupon offering entity for use in preparing subsequent coupon offers.

57. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile data further comprises flight information regarding an airline flight to be taken by a user, and wherein said flight information is utilized by the coupon server computer to generate the coupon.

58. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile data further comprises travel itinerary information of a user and wherein said travel

itinerary information is utilized by the coupon server computer to generate the coupon.

59. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the coupon offers vary in accordance with the geographic location associated with the user.

60. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the coupon offers comprise offer terms which are variable.

61. (Previously presented) The system of claim 60 wherein the offer terms vary in accordance with the frequency of redemption of said offers.

62. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein a member computer further comprises display means for displaying coupon data to the user, and wherein images of the coupons generated by the coupon server are transmitted to the member computer and displayed to a user via the display means.

63. (Previously presented) The system of claim 62 wherein the user inputs, via the member computer input means, selections of said displayed coupon images, and wherein said coupon server generates a subset of said plurality of coupons based on the coupon image selections made by the member.

64. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the members are selected from the group consisting of a coupon offering company, a user, a travel agent, an airline, and a cruise line.

65. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the coupon offering entity specifies user match parameters to the coupon server for use in generating coupons from the user profile and coupon offers.

66. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the coupon offers are modified by the coupon offering entity prior to generation of coupons by the coupon server.
67. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile further comprises information on a mode of travel by the user to the associated geographic location, and wherein the coupons generated by the coupon server relate to the mode of travel by the user.
68. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the user profile further comprises information on dates of travel by the user to the associated geographic location, and wherein the coupons generated by the coupon server are valid only during the dates of travel by the user.
69. (Previously presented) A method for generating and distributing coupons comprising the steps of:
  - (a) a plurality of coupon offering entities supplying coupon offers to a centrally located coupon server computer, said coupon offers each and providing an incentive to purchase an item;
  - (b) the coupon server computer assembling a repository of said coupon offers for subsequent generation into coupons for dissemination to a plurality of users;
  - (c) the coupon server computer storing a plurality of user profile data records, each of said user profile data records comprising user profile data comprising:
    - an identification of a user, and
    - at least one geographic location associated with the user;
  - (d) analyzing a user profile data record with respect to a plurality of coupon offers in the repository and analyzing a coupon offer with respect to a plurality of user profile data records;

(e) generating one or more coupons based on said analysis, wherein said coupon is limited to use by the user identified in the user profile data record for items at the geographic location associated with the user; and

(f) distributing said generated coupon to the user for subsequent redemption by the user when purchasing the item associated with the coupon from the coupon offering entity at the geographic location associated with the user; whereby the coupon offering entity is provided with the identification of the user redeeming the coupon.

70. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile data is obtained from at least one member computer.
71. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the computer network is the Internet.
72. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the computer network is a wireless network.
73. (Canceled).
74. (Canceled).
75. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein a member computer is an Internet-enabled computing device.
76. (Canceled).
77. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the step of distributing said generated coupon comprises the step of transmitting said coupon to the user.

78. (Previously presented) The method of claim 77 wherein the step of transmitting said coupon to the user comprises the step of electronically transmitting said coupon to a member computer.
79. (Previously presented) The method of claim 78 wherein the step of electronically transmitting said coupon to a member computer comprises the step of sending an email message to a member computer, said email message comprising said coupon in a format suitable for printing at a printer associated with the member computer.
80. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the step of distributing said generated coupon comprises the step of transmitting said coupon to a member computer associated with a merchant that will honor the generated coupon.
81. (Previously presented) The method of claim 80 wherein the user specified by the coupon is provided with the incentive specified by the coupon during a transaction with the merchant.
82. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the step of distributing the generated coupon comprises the steps of printing the coupon and sending said printed coupon to the user.
83. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile data further comprises demographic information relating to the user.
84. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile data further comprises coupon requests provided by a user to the coupon server computer, and wherein the coupon requests are transmitted by the coupon server computer to a coupon offering entity for use in preparing subsequent coupon offers.

85. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile data further comprises flight information regarding an airline flight to be taken by a user, and wherein said flight information is utilized by the coupon server computer to generate the coupon.
86. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile data further comprises travel itinerary information of a user and wherein said travel itinerary information is utilized by the coupon server computer to generate the coupon.
87. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the coupon offers vary in accordance with the geographic location associated with the user.
88. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the coupon offers comprise offer terms which are variable.
89. (Previously presented) The method of claim 88 wherein the coupon offers vary in accordance with the frequency of redemption of said offers.
90. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein images of the coupons generated by the coupon server are transmitted to the member computer and displayed to a user.
91. (Canceled).
92. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the members are selected from the group consisting of a coupon offering company, a user, a travel agent, an airline, and a cruise line.
93. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the coupon offering entity specifies user match parameters to the coupon server for use in generating coupons from the user profile and coupon offers.

94. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the coupon offers are modified by the coupon offering entity prior to generation of coupons by the coupon server.
95. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile further comprises information on a mode of travel by the user to the associated geographic location, and wherein the coupons generated by the coupon server relate to the mode of travel by the user.
96. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 wherein the user profile further comprises information on dates of travel by the user to the associated geographic location, and wherein the coupons generated by the coupon server are valid only during the dates of travel by the user.
97. (Previously presented) The method of claim 69 further comprising the step of providing the coupon offering entity the identification of a user for whom a coupon has been generated.
98. (Previously presented) The system of claim 41 wherein the coupon server computer further comprises means for providing the coupon offering entity the identification of a user for whom a coupon has been generated.